

Public Hearing
Proposed Enactment of a Six Month Moratorium on Subdivisions of Certain Large
Parcels of Land within a Proposed Agricultural Reserve

A Public Hearing was held May 22, 2006 at Red Hook High School, 103 West Market Street Red Hook at 7:30 p.m.

Present Supervisor Blum Bump
 Councilman James Ross
 Councilwoman Sue Crane
 Councilwoman Jean Bordewich
 Councilman Harold Ramsey
 Town Clerk Susan McCann
Also Present Keane & Beane Attorney, Nancy Tagliafierro

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Councilwoman Crane wishes to disclose that she and her husband have a minor financial interest in a farm in Tivoli owned by her son and daughter-in-law. The farm is in the proposed agricultural preserve and as such would be affected by the proposed moratorium. We have considered making an application for the PDR program; we have not signed a contract. We have understood that inquiries or applications without contract to the PDR program will not be acted upon during the duration of the moratorium.

Supervisor Blum Bump has no financial interest in the lands owned by brothers Charles Blum or Gregory Blum. Their farms are in the proposed agricultural reserve and as such would be affected by the proposed moratorium. She knows that her brothers are considering a farmland protection program, a PDR application and that they have preliminary discussions about the program but are not even close to coming to any agreements or signing any contracts. Under the draft law her family's land is included. The information to the Ethics committee regarding the Charles Blum property or the Greg Blum Property is incorrect.

Councilwoman Bordewich states for public record that neither she nor her family owns any property in the agriculture reserve.

Councilman Ramsey states that he doesn't own land in the agricultural district. No other family members own land in Red Hook.

Councilman Ross states that he has a lot of family. He is not aware of any family who has land in the proposed agricultural reserve.

Supervisor Blum Bump announces a time constraint and referred to use of the sign in sheet. Time will be limited to 2 ½ minutes. The Board is here to listen. The moratorium is limited to 6 months. The goal of the moratorium applies to only to certain large parcels of 10 acres or more located in the proposed agricultural reserve area. It applies only to new subdivisions. In case of hardship property owners may apply during the moratorium under the hardship clause. The goal is to give the town time to review and implement the recommendations of the Inter-municipal task force, to encourage smart growth, and more.

Supervisor Blum Bump reads the public hearing notice. The Supervisor reads draft enactment of a moratorium Section 1 – 9 dated May 22, 2006. (Copy attached)

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Ruth Oxenburg...lives in Livingston, pays school tax. In favor of a moratorium. It would give the committee time to look into development to go along with the comprehensive plan. Be open minded, be fair. The more development the more school taxes. Please have an open mind.

Gene Allen... caretaker of a family home in the agricultural reserve. Lived in Pennsylvania and has seen much development. Consider the farmland and preserve it.

Fergus Bordewich strongly supports the proposed moratorium. Refers to an article in the NY Times. A spokesman for Toll Brothers, a giant national construction company, has six new developments in Dutchess County. Communities need to adopt a rational way of approaching and planning for their own futures. I would like to see a one year moratorium. I urge the Board to vote for it.

Karen Schneller-MacDonald...doesn't own lands that would be affected but lives next to the Hardeman Farm. This kind of open space affords wonderful benefits. The preservation of our rural character is the number one concern of residents. Support the moratorium- it's only a pause in planning. Red Hook is known throughout this region for its PDR program. Protect it.

Ann Marie Vosburgh is a landowner who would be impacted by this proposal. She has the luxury of living on Middle Road. She is opposed primarily due to equity and integrity. What lands were included and what lands were not. Town Board needs to vote no to the moratorium.

Beth Mead of Mead Orchards...Her family would like to continue to farm. They accommodate their few neighbors. They don't plant crops that need to be sprayed. More neighbors would spoil the atmosphere. In 2001 they sold the development rights. They have poured their lives into this farm and are going out on a financial limit. We urge you to pass the moratorium.

Chuck Mead is in favor of a moratorium. Time is needed to craft a plan for all the people in Red Hook.

Ken Migliorelli is in favor of a moratorium. Is also concerned about the equity issue. We need six months to work this through, not sure six months is long enough.

John Howard. I love the rural character of Red Hook and am for open space. I do not support the moratorium. The agricultural reserve area is not well thought out. I urge the Town Board to get out better information and to vote no.

Anita Micossi supports the moratorium. Is a member of Tivoli's Comprehensive Plan and is in her second year of an Architectural Review Committee. It takes a long time. Developers have speed. Citizen planners are losing. This gives us the time to explore and investigate options.

Emily Houpt (read by MaryAnn Johnson) compares her maternity to a moratorium. Wouldn't appreciate anyone telling her what to do with her land, but supports the moratorium.

Nate Kalina – asks Trilby Sieverding to speak for him. Mr. Kalina owns 150 acres. Has owned his farm for 50 years and understands how to preserve the integrity of the farm. We have well balanced zoning laws and see no reason to change them. Property rights would be unfairly diminished if moratorium process is allowed to go through.

Kim Barke supports the moratorium. We need time to get the zoning in line with the comprehensive plan. If we don't do something about development it will be a hardship for the farmers. We need to take a break.

Steve Cahenzli has 10 ½ acres in the agricultural reserve. This land has been in our family since 1930. I want to subdivide for my children so they have some place to live. It is my property and I feel I should have the right to do what I want with it.

Micki Strawinski thanked the Board for the public hearing. Speaks in support to give all parties the opportunity to come to a clear, fair vision about the future development of Red Hook. More development will create more traffic, pollution, the need for more services, police, fire and the need to increase or build a new school. More development will have a huge impact. I am co-chair of Greenway and Trails Committee and support the moratorium.

MaryAnn Johnson is a member of the Agriculture and Open Space Committee and CAC and is in support of the moratorium. The light at the four corners is certainly troublesome. We are all seeing houses where we haven't seen them before. It's becoming difficult for our farmers. We need six months to balance both sides, so vote in favor and let the work begin.

Tara Sullivan is in favor for many reasons. Our Boards are overwhelmed; give them a break so that they can review the larger tasks of development in our town. Unplanned development will have an environmental impact. I'm in favor because I'm proud of our schools and large development could have a serious, bad effect on them.

Lenore Nemeth and I live on one of the 208 parcels; is in favor of a moratorium. I'd like to see it for longer than six months. My concerns are many. I want something that is wonderful for our Town and we have to compromise. Because of taxes some farmers can't run their farms. A lot of farmers are hobby farmers. When you consider the moratorium and you consider what you do with our land if we are going to approve it, think tax too.

Alfred Buffa talks about school budget defeat. If we don't regulate development, we are in for higher taxes, the schools will suffer and real estate values will go down. He is within the reserve and he supports the moratorium. Listened to both sides but more work needs to be done.

Dick Franklin...if the Planning Board and Zoning Board did their job we would not be here tonight. Equity, are we taking acreage that isn't agricultural and putting it under agricultural that has no intention of farming so that people can get a tax exemption. When you do that you impact every home owner. Volunteer firemen will not be able to live here. I am against the moratorium only because the Town should have been working on this problem for the past 5 ½ years.

Lee Ann Hansen is opposed to the moratorium. We are not farmers or developers. We are just a family who want to give their son a piece of land. I consider this an economic hardship. We have lived here all of their live feels she is being driven out. These people who say they want open space they should buy it and pay the taxes on it.

Jill Sammon represents Central Hudson. Opposes the town's moratorium because it may adversely affect the market value of the parcels the town is seeking to obtain from Central Hudson.

Brenda Cagle... it's easy to see that development has changed our landscape. Six months is not a lot of time. The CAC supports the moratorium and the agricultural reserve.

Barbara Vosburgh...owned Kesicki Farm since 1940. I received the farm from parents and I will give the farm to my children. The Board should not tell us what to do with our land. Against the moratorium

Steve Hammerling owns property in the proposed reserve with the hopes of his children building a house. Is against the moratorium.

Ruth Oja supports the moratorium. Examine the equity issues. Once the land is developed there is no going back. We may need this land to produce food and for environmental purposes.

Jim Eng...family owned property for 53 years. In memory of his parents he supports the moratorium.

Amy Dubin owns 250 acres, which is in the reserve. She reflected on the last meetings comments. Everyone feels the impact of the growth. Not one subdivision has made a positive impact. We are asking for a six month break. Is in favor of a moratorium. Every one wants to make money.

Susan Simon is in favor of the moratorium. We need six months to review.

Rosemary Gorga...my property is not included but I am surrounded by property that is in the reserve. I'm in favor of 6 month moratorium, may not be long enough.

Susan Ellis...thanks Board, owns property that is affected. There is too much development, too fast. I'm in favor of the moratorium.

Noel Phillips is in favor of a moratorium. Concerned about rapid growth in our community.

Susan Elias asks the audience to raise their hands if they want property taxes to go up. This is just time to stop and think. Is in favor of the moratorium.

Trilby Sieverding owns property in the proposed reserve and is against the moratorium. Says the county has not received correct information. The burden is on 5% of the landowners.

Paul Doherty owns land on Turkey Hill Road. Feels the Board should change it from 10 acres to larger. Against the moratorium.

Doreen Ruff works for Creative Homes. Most of the homes they have built are for our own Red Hook residents. Has anyone questioned the farmers? We need a one on one with our farmers. Please do not vote for this plan.

Eric Bickmann represents Central Hudson. Says they are trying to sell property to adjacent farmers, which are in the reserve. This is an attempt by the Board to undermine the value of land. This could interfere with negotiations with these farmers. Exempt those parcels from the moratorium.

Lou Ambrico said that no one is in favor of sprawl. He is opposed to the moratorium.

Rich Biezynski has land in the agricultural district and is in favor of the moratorium. We don't want to take away rights.

Ken McCulluch... represents landowners...invalidated the whole procedure. There is a conflict of interest - amending the resolution is not permitted. The Board has not amended the resolution the right way. Postpone for 6 months - address the issue the right way. Represents a list of people. Refers to a petition with a list of names he represents.

Supervisor Blum Bump thanked Mr. McCulluch and said we have our attorney here and will take what he said under advisement.

Charlie Laing is a member of the Town Planning Board and the Inter-municipal Task Force. We need 6 months breathing room. Is in favor of the moratorium.

Lori Urbin...this is her first meeting and thanks the Board. Development has increased and six months is a short period of time. Wants her children to enjoy the beauty of the rural landscape here.

Douglas Moat...EDC delivers information to the Supervisor of pro's and con's for a moratorium. The EDC endorses the need to maintain rural character. Over the last 12 months we have interviewed a number of potential investors in the community who were willing to make substantial investments which we thought would help achieve a greater balance between the tax revenue generated by our residents in commercial interests. Most of these investors have walked away because of the zoning and planning regulations that exist. Is against the moratorium - don't change the zoning. If you want an agricultural reserve investigate it. Look at the facts.

Nick Russo owns a 235 acre farm. School and property taxes are approaching \$25,000 a year. Paying \$17,000 in school taxes with no more children in school. Feel the people for the moratorium have already gotten their dough and the others have nothing to lose. The

minority landowners are going to lose everything. Might need to sell property to pay his taxes. Taking this away from him is not fair. Is against the moratorium. The Board members with a possible conflict of interest should abstain from voting, there are two of you here who should abstain. There will be pending litigation.

Noreen Van Valkenburg presents documents in support of her comments. Is against the moratorium, not against open space. This law proposes substantial commercial value reduction on their land. The proposal will also increase taxes for everyone living outside of the zone. I would encourage you to vote this down.

Suzanne Shea reads an excerpt of an article from the NY Times. We need to take time out for a moratorium.

Lori Espie purchased land three years ago. Farmers and landowners should be able to keep their land rights ...don't take away their rights. Local Law #3 protects the farmland. Our property's value will go down. This will severely impact my family and the future of many other families. My children will have to find another place to live because I will not be able to give them a lot. Please vote no to the moratorium, do more research and talk to more people.

Laurie Husted the point of the moratorium is to have these one on one dialogs. Vote for the moratorium and take us forward.

Leo Sieverding passes out a copy of a petition. Refers to a document on moratoria by James Kuntz who states that moratorium should not affect small amount of landowners. Do not vote for the moratorium. There are 208 parcels affected by this moratorium and there are 4,000 parcels in the town and two villages. That is 5% of the tax parcels – clearly the moratorium is being visited on a minority of landowners.

Al Trezza is in favor of open space. His family has preserved it for 60 years. In the 50's and 60's is when most development occurred. We don't need a moratorium. It's too costly to come here. We need some growth. People talk of massive growth, there is no massive growth, give me a break. Refers to the Ethics letter (information obtained from Scenic Hudson). The information is correct. Stands by the information in the letter. Feels that Supervisor Blum Bump and Councilwoman Crane should recuse themselves from voting on this.

Frank Stoppenbach said to make it fair we should have a moratorium across the board. We need to recognize how many people we can accommodate and we should recognize the limits. We have had real growth. Make the moratorium fair.

Frank Vosburgh ...it's nice all these people came out to speak however they have nothing to lose, our land is affected. If someone wants to preserve our farm we'd be happy to take donations to help pay our taxes. The people who are voting in favor are not being affected. Is not in favor of the moratorium for just a small group of people.

Paul Vosburgh...Kesicke Farm ...is in front of planning to create 2 new lots for our family. His problem with the moratorium is with the language and the implied intent of it. The properties participating in the Towns purchase of development rights program shall be exempt from the provisions of this local law for a one-lot subdivision provided that such approval is conditioned upon the placement of the conservation easement. Finds it disturbing that 12 of the 17 tax parcels are owned by a member of the Town Board, relatives of members of the Town Board or by the Chairman of the Ag and Open Space Committee. Who is benefiting? It's not the farmers.

Gregory Blum owns two parcels in Red Hook and is for the moratorium.

Harry Colgan is on the Inter-Municipal Task Force. He hears that the community wants open space and rural character to be preserved – supports the moratorium.

Marcy Appell is not against a six-month moratorium if it is to review our zoning law. A very important function of our Town Board is to review the zoning regularly. Questions

if the Board can accomplish what they want in a short time. What's more important than the moratorium are the recommendations that result.

Adam Lerrick is affected by the moratorium. I have no intention of selling or subdividing my property. Restrictions will reduce the value of farmland. A six month moratorium can be extended. This will raise taxes of everyone else. Landowners will litigate. The Board could not ensure what the criteria were in determining the parcels, who's in the preserve and who is not. Two of the Town Boards member's family will directly benefit. Their property values will increase dramatically. Conflict of interest of the Board and the Ag Committee.

Robert McKeon thanked the Board for appointing him as Ag and Open Space Chairman. We are heading in the right direction. Protecting farmland is important. The Towns Comprehensive Plan is not being implemented. Thanked his committee for reaching out to residents.

Supervisor Blum Bump asks remaining speakers to speed things up, state up front if you are for or against and then just say a sentence or two.

Sue Martin is deeply concerned about Red Hooks future and is in favor of the moratorium.

Kathy Stewart owns 100 acres that will be affected and is in support of the moratorium.

Robert O'Keefe...in favor and we enjoy the vistas and the wild life. We moved from Rockland County to get away from development.

John Schmitz...I object to it being said it's the tree huggers against the poor farmers. Let's look at the real economic impact. Is in favor of the moratorium.

Phil Seymour objects to the moratorium and is saddened to see this us against them that is happening with zoning in this town. He worked on that Master Plan for three years. Zoning has worked.

Vicky Perry is in favor of a moratorium...is affected by continued subdivision. People talk about taxes, schools are at maximum capacity. If we don't move forward then we are talking about no planning.

Donna Brown owns property affected and agrees with a moratorium. What is your plan, what are you going to accomplish in the six months and what kind of help do you need from the landowner?

Sarah Sweeny is in favor and would like to see it for one year. We need to halt the sprawl and higher taxes.

Kristofer Munn is in favor of the moratorium. The whole Town is affected by this. The moratorium will allow time for preservation.

Letters received:

Letter dated May 22, 2006 from Kesicke Farm, Inc. - against moratorium

Letter dated May 22, 2006 from Trilby Sieverding- against moratorium

Letter dated May 22, 2006 from The Save Our Town Committee – in favor

Letter dated May 9, 2006 from Scenic Hudson, Ned Sullivan RE: Farmland conservation

Letter dated May 22, 2006 from Kenneth McCulloch, Esq. RE: Enactment of a moratorium on subdivision within a proposed agricultural reserve district ("Moratorium")

Petition received May 22, 2006 submitted by Leo Sieverding- protesting the enactment of the proposed moratorium law.

On a motion of Supervisor Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Ross move to close the Public Hearing at 10:00 p.m.

Councilman Ramsey...asks the audience have we heard from everyone who wished to speak.

Councilwoman Bordewich...my understanding is if we close the public hearing than we would have our special meeting on May 25th to consider the proposal.

Supervisor Blum Bump...we'll discuss this tonight.

Adopted Ayes 5 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Supervisor announces there will be a special meeting after a 5 minute break.

Special Meeting of the Town Board

Supervisor welcomes everyone to the special Town Board meeting.

Michelle Greig from Greenplan...Regarding SEQR said the proposed project is a Type II action and therefore SEQR does not apply.

On a motion by Councilwoman Bordewich, seconded by Supervisor Blum Bump, move to accept the Short Environment Form of SEQR prepared by Planner.

Councilman Ross...we just received this tonight and we haven't even reviewed as a Board.

Michelle Greig...this type of action is Type II and is exempt from SEQR.

Councilman Ramsey...there is no SEQR review, but we must declare it as a Type II action.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
 Nays 1 Ross

RESOLUTION 2006 #21

RE: State Environmental Quality Review Type 2 Action – 6 month moratorium

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Jean Bordewich move to approve SEQR Resolution Type II Action.

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Board discussion:

Councilman Ross is still puzzled why we are discussing this and voting on this while there are a number of legal issues that were addressed this evening...in our zoning we don't have an ag reserve, is not an approved zoning at this time. Our legal counsel should research the legal points brought up tonight before we take a vote.

Supervisor Blum Bump...when we vote you can vote no.

Councilman Ross...I understand the Type 2 is not required, but because of these legal points that were brought up tonight as to what we are doing, is this legal? We are trying to enact a moratorium on a proposed agricultural reserve, which is not in our zoning.

Nancy Tagliaferro from Keane and Beane ... the criteria is the 10 acre parcels in the proposed district. The petition doesn't apply to adopting of a moratorium.

Councilwoman Crane ... no concerns about SEQR

Councilman Ramsey questioned about Central Hudson land and the potential conflict as we are in negotiations with Central Hudson.

Nancy Tagliaferro ...your concern is whether adoption of a moratorium creates a conflict of interest on the land the Town is trying to get. The adoption of a moratorium

would not affect Central Hudson. There may be proposed changes to the zoning code that might affect that issue but not the adoption of the moratorium.

Councilman Ramsey...someone questioned the change in the legal writing of the moratorium law that did not go to County Planning.

Councilwoman Bordewich...County Planning said it's a matter of local issue any minor changes they would kick it back and not weigh in on it.

Adopted	Ayes 4	Blum Bump, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
	Nays 1	Ross

RESOLUTION 2006 #22

RE: Resolution Approving Local Law Establishing a Moratorium on the Issuance of Certain Subdivision Approvals Within a Proposed Agricultural Reserve District Within the Town of Red Hook.

Supervisor read resolution-Copy Attached

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Jean Bordewich for discussion moves to adopt the resolution approving this local law establishing a moratorium on the issuance of certain subdivision approvals within a proposed agricultural reserve district within the Town of Red Hook.

Board discussion:

Supervisor Blum Bump, Councilwoman Bordewich and Keane & Beane Attorney discuss the wording in the resolution.

Councilman Ross asks what are you trying to decide.

Supervisor Blum Bump...we are just making the resolution exactly match the wording of the law.

Councilman Ross...that's interesting because I notice that it doesn't. We just received this new draft of the law this evening.

Supervisor Blum Bump reads corrected resolution section...

Now, therefore, be it resolved, the Town of Red Hook hereby enacts a six (6) moratorium on the acceptance or review by the Planning Board or the Town's planning and engineering consultants of any application for subdivision within a proposed Agricultural Reserve District on parcels containing ten (10) acres or more; a copy of which local law is attached hereto, and it is further

Resolved, that the Town Clerk shall immediately file the within Local Law with the Secretary of State of the State of New York and it is further

Resolved, that Local Law No ___-2006 shall take effect immediately.

Supervisor Blum Bump asks for a second on the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Bordewich for discussion.

Councilman Ross is against it. Refers to two whereas sections of the resolution. First-Whereas both prior to and during the public hearing the Town received a number of written and oral comments from various Town residents, developers and professional organizations in regard to the content of such proposed Local Law, all interested parties having been heard. Councilman Ross...we just received some of this a few moments ago and I guess we've read all that and digested it? Second-Whereas the Town Board believes it is in the best interest of the Town of Red Hook to establish a moratorium so as to permit the Town to amend the zoning ordinance of the Town Code to conform to the goals stated in the Town of Red Hook Comprehensive Plan. Councilman Ross...that's not what this draft law says. The new latest version say...The Town Board through the enactment of this Local Law, provides an opportunity to investigate implementing a TDR Program (Transfer of Development Rights) and/or modification of zoning. Councilman Ross...as I have been stating all along I am not opposed to looking at zoning, not opposed to looking at a TDR, I'm not sure if it will work in Red Hook but willing to look at TDR. We don't need a moratorium to do it. A moratorium is going to beat our public

with a stick. Let's have conversation with landowners. Makes sense to investigate our zoning and talk to our landowners who it affects the most.

Councilwoman Crane...at the May 9th meeting I expressed concern about the exemption regarding purchase of development rights as it related to my own interests in a farm affected by this proposed moratorium and I'd like to clarify how that exemption reads...properties participating in the town's Purchase of Development Rights program shall be exempt from the provisions of this local law for a one-lot subdivision. Only two farms, Steiner and Feller have approved PDR. I am not included in any exemptions. I'd like to protect the farmer. We need many conversations over a period of time, six months is not a long time but it will be a good start. I understand the fear of re-zoning proposals. You have my promise you will not lose the value of your property, we need to increase commercial property in the Town of Red Hook. We need to get our arms around zoning in Red Hook determine where commercial property can exist to help lower our property taxes. This is not zoning change – only a time out. On the advice of counsel I was told having declared my conflict of interest that I may vote on this issue tonight. I would prefer to wait until Thursday night to have time to look at all the materials that we were given tonight but if it is the Boards wish to vote tonight then I am prepared to do so.

Councilwoman Bordewich ...I really benefited from two nights of public comments. Opponents of the moratorium have a great fear of loss of equity and loss of control of their own property. Although I don't own over 10 acres I really hear that and I do not see us making zoning changes that will have that impact because that would be unfair and possibly unconstitutional. Supporters of the moratorium, myself included our big fear is that we see large scale developers circling Red Hook. In a small Town like Red Hook with volunteer Planning Board, part time council and so forth we don't have the resources to fight those developments. Proactively defining what we want and having the time to do it is our best defense. It's been a long time since we have looked at our zoning. With the volume of work before the Planning Board and Town Board I think without a moratorium we are not going to make the progress we need to make. Now is the time to do a moratorium because a lot of things are culminating. We need a moratorium. I don't think we will have everything accomplished in 6 months but I believe we can make some progress and I don't envision that we will extent it. We have a task force on land use development that came back to us with a very comprehensive report, many issues were zoning related. We now have an inter-municipal planning task force to look at issues related to planning and zoning. They are coming forward with a number of recommendations and I think we are ready to look at them. We have to strengthen our tax base, expand our commercial area, and protect agricultural land and our environment.

Councilman Ramsey...we started this a number of months ago and we started looking at this to protect farmland and ag. land, we should protect farmers and I'm not sure if this is the right way to do that. I have a number of farmers and residents over the past few week say that this will not help them it will hurt them. Is a moratorium going to protect our farmers or a tool that we say we think will help them? I've heard here tonight and read quite a bit that this is not meant to keep Mom & Dad from giving a piece of land to their children, however a number of residents said they are doing exactly that. We're hurting those residents who would just like to break off a piece of land for their children. I think that's wrong. We have a number of applicants in front of Planning Board right now with time and money expended out. I have asked for those applicants to be allowed to continue forward. There are only 7 out of 208 parcels. I have asked that those be allowed to move forward. The proponents of this moratorium think that would not be a good idea. Because of that I have concerns with this and we are doing harm, injustice to those in front of the planning board. We need to protect our taxpayers and I think the best way to do this is build commercial zones in this town. I don't think we need a moratorium to set up commercial zones. We have tools to protect our land right now. We have zoning laws we have the best land use tools. We have a PDR program, conservation easement program, farm land exemptions and community preservation moving forward. Are we hurting our PDR program by putting it on hold for 6 months? I think we are moving too fast. Thinks we are doing an injustice to those people before the Planning Board.

Supervisor Blum Bump worked on the original Master Plan. Have to look at farmland as open space and as commercial. We have to be aware of our open space concerns as well

as small business. We need to know where to put the developments, in fact this is not for a reduction in development, but where we are going to put it. This is very complex. In favor of a moratorium and recognizes the years of all the work of the volunteers who have worked so hard. What is the future of Red Hook and where are we going to look like in ten years. Thinks we can get a lot of work done during this moratorium. I appreciate the input of everyone and weigh your concerns.

Vote

Adopted Ayes 3 Blum Bump, Crane, Bordewich
 Nays 2 Ross, Ramsey

On a motion of Councilwoman Bordewich, seconded by Councilman Ramsey moves to appoint Christine Chale as Attorney to the Town

Adopted Ayes 5 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RESOLUTION 2006 #23

RE: Support Authorizing Submission of DEC Grant Application.

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey move to support authorizing submission of DEC grant application.
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Adopted Ayes 5 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RESOLUTION 2006 #24

RE: Request for Greenway Trail Designation of the Father's Trail

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey move to request Greenway Trail Designation of the Father's Trail.
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Adopted Ayes 5 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
 Nays 0

On a motion of Councilwoman Bordewich, seconded by Supervisor Blum Bump move to adjourn meeting at 11:00 p.m.

Adopted Ayes 5 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Respectfully submitted,

Susan McCann, Town Clerk